

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 92-228-S - ORDER NO. 93-571
JUNE 25, 1993

IN RE: Application of Quail Hollow Company)
 requesting approval of an increase)
 in the rates and charges for sewer)
 service provided to its customers)
 located within its certificated)
 service areas.)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) pursuant to the Petition of Quail Hollow Company (Quail Hollow or the Company) to withdraw its Application of February 12, 1993, without prejudice.

On February 12, 1993, the Company filed an Application in the above-captioned docket seeking a general increase in its existing rates and charges for sewer service in accordance with schedules attached to and filed with the Application. Pursuant to the instructions of the Commission's Executive Director, the Company timely caused a Notice of Filing and Hearing to be published in newspapers of general circulation in the areas affected by the proposed rate increase and sent a copy of the Notice via the United States Postal Service to each customer affected by the proposed increase in rates and charges. Subsequent to the publication and mailing of the Notice, a Petition to Intervene was filed by Carl F.

McIntosh, Esq. on behalf of Steven W. Hamm, Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina.

On or about June 18, 1993, the Company filed its Petition to withdraw its Application without prejudice as per letter of the Company's attorney, William Frederick Austin, Esquire. The grounds for said Petition were that the Applicant is currently attempting to conduct technical checks on the accuracy of the system's sewer flow meter, and still needs to complete an inflow and infiltration study of the system. Austin notes that these matters will not be completed in time to go forward with the July 14, 1993 hearing date presently set by the Commission. Austin notes on behalf of the Company that it is important that these matters be completed to protect the interest of the consumers and the Company. The Company therefore asks that it be allowed to withdraw its Application without prejudice.

The Commission has considered this request and believes that it should be granted. When and if the Company decides to file a new Application prior to February 12, 1994, it shall serve a copy of said new Application on all the present parties to this action including the Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina, and shall use the current docket number. This Order shall have no effect should the Company decide to file a new Application on or after February 12, 1994.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Company is hereby allowed to withdraw its Application filed February 12, 1993, without prejudice.

2. The Company is not precluded by the previous filing of said Application from seeking rate relief as the Company deems appropriate, including the filing of an application for rate relief before February 12, 1994.

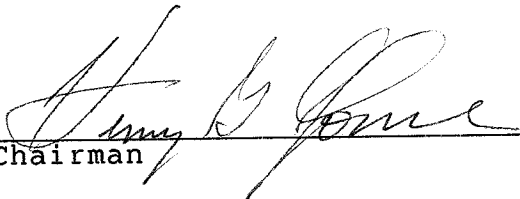
3. The Company shall notify all customers of the withdrawal of this Application by including a statement regarding the withdrawal of this Application in the notice which the Company must send to its customers when it refiles its Application for a Rate Increase.

4. The Company shall serve a copy of any new Application filed before February 12, 1994, on all present parties to this action, including the Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina, and shall use the current docket number.

5. This Order shall not affect any new Application filed on or after February 12, 1994.

6. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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